



Press Release

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On: OCTOBER 1 TEXAS CATTLE ON FEED
UP 2 PERCENT FROM LAST YEAR

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AUSTIN . . . Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in Texas feedlots with capacity of 1,000 head or more totaled 2.77 million head on October 1, up 2 percent from a year ago. According to the monthly report released by the Texas Agricultural Statistics Service, the estimate was up 4 percent from the September 1 level. Producers placed 600,000 head in commercial feedlots during September, down 3 percent from a year ago, but up 13 percent from the August 2004 total.

Texas commercial feeders marketed 490,000 head during September, down 16 percent from both last year and the August 2004 total.

On October 1, there were 2.30 million head of cattle and calves on feed in the Northern High Plains, 83 percent of the state's total. The number on feed across the area was up 2 percent from last year, and up 4 percent from the September total.

September placements in the Northern High Plains totaled 510,000 head, up 14 percent from the August total. Marketings were down 7 percent from last month to 410,000 head.

Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in the United States in feedlots with a capacity of 1,000 head or more totaled 10.5 million head on October 1, 2004. This inventory was 3 percent above October 1, 2003.

Placements in feedlots during September totaled 2.37 million head, 4 percent below September 2003. September placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds totaled 623,000 head; 600-699 pounds totaled 474,000 head; 700-799 pounds totaled 557,000 head; 800 pounds and greater totaled 720,000 head. Marketings of fed cattle during September totaled 1.80 million head, 11 percent below 2003.

Cattle and Calves: Placements, Marketings, Other Disappearance and Inventory in 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots					Cattle and Calves					
State	On feed September 1		Placed on feed during September		Marketed during September		Other disappearance during September		On feed October 1	
	2003	2004	2003	2004	2003	2004	2003	2004	2003	2004
	1,000 head									
Arizona	274	296	25	28	23	25	1	1	275	298
California	490	520	61	64	63	60	3	4	485	520
Colorado	900	930	255	275	200	180	5	5	950	1,020
Idaho	245	245	82	84	56	53	1	1	270	275
Iowa	300	375	80	70	69	69	1	1	310	375
Kansas	2,250	2,130	530	520	465	410	15	20	2,300	2,220
Nebraska	1,660	1,800	520	470	345	320	5	10	1,830	1,940
New Mexico	121	129	16	18	10	19	4	3	123	125
Oklahoma	345	325	81	80	73	62	3	3	350	340
South Dakota	134	138	49	41	37	35	1	1	145	143
TEXAS	2,700	2,670	620	600	580	490	20	10	2,720	2,770
Washington	185	160	53	48	41	32	2	1	195	175
Other States	235	255	102	76	70	45	2	1	265	285
United States	9,839	9,973	2,474	2,374	2,032	1,800	63	61	10,218	10,486

Cattle on Feed: Number Placed on Feed by Weight Group, 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots										
State	During September									
	Less than 600 pounds		600-699 pounds		700-799 pounds		800 pounds or more		Total	
	2003	2004	2003	2004	2003	2004	2003	2004	2003	2004
	1,000 head									
Colorado	41	30	46	50	78	65	90	130	255	275
Kansas	135	135	140	110	160	140	95	135	530	520
Nebraska	102	88	95	70	127	102	196	210	520	470
TEXAS	250	210	185	180	130	145	55	65	620	600
Other States	170	160	79	64	115	105	185	180	549	509
United States	698	623	545	474	610	557	621	720	2,474	2,374

Cattle on Feed: Number on Feed, Placements, Marketings and Other Disappearance, 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots, United States ¹ , October 1, 2002-2004					
Item	Number		2004 as Percent of		
	2002	2003	2004	2002	2003
		1,000 head		Percent	
On feed September 1 ^{2/}	10,159	9,839	9,973	98	101
Placed on feed during September ^{2/}	2,194	2,474	2,374	108	96
Fed cattle marketed during September ^{2/}	1,848	2,032	1,800	97	89
Other disappearance during September ^{2/ 3/}	53	63	61	115	97
On feed October 1 ^{3/}	10,452	10,218	10,486	100	103

¹ The Cattle on Feed release has been modified to exclude calculation and publication of this historic 7 States. ² Cattle and calves on feed are animals for slaughter market being fed a ration of grain or other concentrates and are expected to produce a carcass that will grade select or better. ³ Includes death losses, movement from feedlots to pastures and shipments to other feedlots for further feeding.

Texas Cattle and Calves on Feed in 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots									
Cattle and calves	District 1-N	District 1-S	District 2-N	District 2-S	District 7	District 8-N	District 10-N	Other districts	State total
					<u>1,000 head</u>				
On feed September 1 ^{1/}	2,210	220	76	17	15	28	55	49	2,670
Placed on feed during September	510	28	2 0	6	4	7	14	11	600
Marketed during September	410	37	1 5	3	3	6	7	9	490
Other disappearance during September ^{2/}	8	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	10
On feed October 1 ^{1/}	2,302	211	80	20	16	29	61	51	2,770

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